

Evidence Ranking*

For each claim, rank the provided evidence from 1-4, 1 being the most *logical* and *relevant* evident to support the claim and 4 being the least *logical* and *relevant* evidence to support the claim.

1. **Claim: Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows—Part 2 is the best movie of the year.**

Audience: Classmates

- (I) 3 A. *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows—Part 2* made much more money on its first weekend than any other movie ever has.
- (E) 4 B. When I saw the movie, most of the people didn't leave their seats until after the credits were completely finished.
- (I) 1 C. Over 180,000 people gave it an average rating of 4.5 out of 5 stars on the Rotten Tomatoes Review site.
- (A) 2 D. Joe Morgenstern of the *Wall Street Journal* calls it "The best possible end for the series that began a decade ago."

2. **Claim: My parents should raise allowance by \$5 each week.**

Audience: Your parents or caregivers.

- 4 A. All the kids in my class get more allowance than I do.
- 3 B. The prices of the things I buy with my allowance have gone up.
- (I) 1 C. A recent poll of 2,505 teens showed that the average amount of allowance for 13-15 year olds was over \$13 and I only get \$5.
- (A) 2 D. According to Kaitlyn Laurie, child and adult psychotherapist in Madison WI, if kids' allowances aren't enough it gives kids "the impression things come too hard."

3. **Claim: Our school should not require summer reading.**

Audience: The principal

- 4 A. Most students hate the summer reading books that our school chooses.
- (E) 3 B. Adults get to choose what they want to read.
- (I) 2 C. If you read the assigned books too early in the summer, you'll forget them by the time school starts, so athletes who want to do the reading before practice starts during the summer are at a disadvantage.
- (A) 1 D. According to Michael W. Smith and Jeffrey Wilhelm in their book "*Reading Don't Fix No Chevys*": *Literacy in the Lives of Young Men*, young people do quite a bit of reading on their own when they are allowed to choose what they read.